Welcome to Year 3



The aim of the 'Meet the Teacher' is to:

- Welcome you to the Bishop Wood community
- Give you an understanding of what a school day at Bishop Wood will be like for your child.
- Share with you details of the Year 3 curriculum which we aim to deliver in a dynamic and creative way.
 Subject to change

The Year 3 Team

Miss Lisa Record - 3R (Silver Birch) & Mrs Sharman

Mrs Adele Foley – 3F (Sycamore) & Mrs Wager

Bishop Wood C of E Junior School

Wisdom – Hope – Community – Dignity

Our school vision incorporates the four values of Wisdom, Hope, Community and Dignity. Throughout the year, the children will work carefully with these values to understand them and apply them to their own learning. Each Tuesday in Celebration Assembly, we will recognise children who have demonstrated a value in their learning.

	The school gates open at 8.35am
8.55am	Register and early morning activity
9.00am	Guided Reading or small group activities
9.30am	Maths
10.30am	Playtime
10.45am	English
11.45am	Assembly/Collective Worship Every Wednesday, Father Huw or Reverend Sarah visit us from St Peter and St Paul's Church to lead our Worship.
12.15-1.20pm	Lunch
1.30pm - 3.30pm	Afternoon lessons Children are collected on the lower playground

Morning activities



We start each day with a guided group session. Once a week your child will work with their class teacher in a small group reading and discussing a range of texts or working on comprehension skills.

Meanwhile, the other groups will be expected to work independently on a variety of clearly defined tasks that support the development of reading comprehension.

Reading Records



At Bishop Wood, we have an exciting reading system where children can earn rewards for their reads. We encourage and expect your child to read at least 3 times each week. Children will receive a tick on the front of their Reading Record after 3 reads and can build up to attaining bronze, silver and gold awards.

Your child should bring their Reading Record to school each day so that it can be filled in when they read with an adult.

We will assess your child's reading at the beginning of the year and then encourage them to select and change their books independently.

English Curriculum

Throughout the year we will read a variety of books, exposing the children to creative ideas and vocabulary. We will use these as a stimulus to produce work on the following genres:

- Traditional fables
- Traditional fairy tales
- Adventure stories
- Plays
- Recounts
- Instructions
- Non-chronological reports
- Persuasive writing
- Different styles of poetry

English Curriculum

Spellings

Each week we learn a different spelling pattern. Your child will bring home 10 words as part of their weekly home learning which use this spelling pattern. There is a weekly spelling test before learning new spellings.

We create a time most days for children to practice their spellings to help consolidate the learning and help them feel more confident to use them accurately in their independent writing.

Maths Curriculum

Our maths lessons are engaging, fun and practical. Our aim is to encourage the children to be confident mathematicians who can apply their learning and solve problems.

➢ We will be revising the 2, 5 and 10 times tables as well as introducing the children to the 3, 4 and 8 times tables.







Maths learning at home and school

We use several subscription sites to help us with our learning in school, and these can also be accessed securely at home. Your child will be given a login and password for TT Rock Stars, Purple Mash and MyMaths.



purple mash



Science Curriculum

The children will use a variety of approaches to answer relevant scientific questions.

They include observing over time, pattern seeking, identifying, classifying and grouping, fair testing and researching using secondary sources.

Working scientifically is not taught as a separate strand but through the topics that each year group teach.

Animals Including Humans

Forces and Magnets

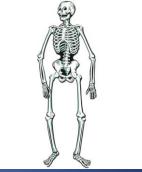
Rocks and Fossils

Light and Shadow

Plants and Seeds











Other curriculum subjects

<u>R.E</u>

• Christianity and Islam

<u>History</u>

- The Stone Age
- The Bronze Age
- The Iron Age

Geography

- Climate and Weather
- Our World
- Coasts

<u>Art & DT</u>

- Children will investigate and learn about different sculptors and artists and use them to inspire their own portrait, pattern and sculpture work.
- They will get the opportunity to make picture frames, sandwiches and packaging.

<u>P.E.</u>

Autumn: Netball / Gym/ Tag Rugby Spring: Dance / Hockey / Tennis Summer: Athletics / Cricket/ Rounders

Computing:

Coding Internet Safety Spreadsheets PowerPoints Touch Typing Email

<u>Music</u>

We are very much hoping to continue having weekly class ukulele sessions delivered by Mrs Osmond from Herts Music Service.

French

Commands and greetings Numbers 1-20 Colours, ages Family members and animals

PSHE:

We have weekly PSHE sessions help to empower and educate the children in becoming good citizens of the future.

The weekly sessions also provide a valuable opportunity to explore the school values of Hope, Wisdom, Dignity and Community.

These sessions will aim to equip the children with some valuable life skills.

Home Learning

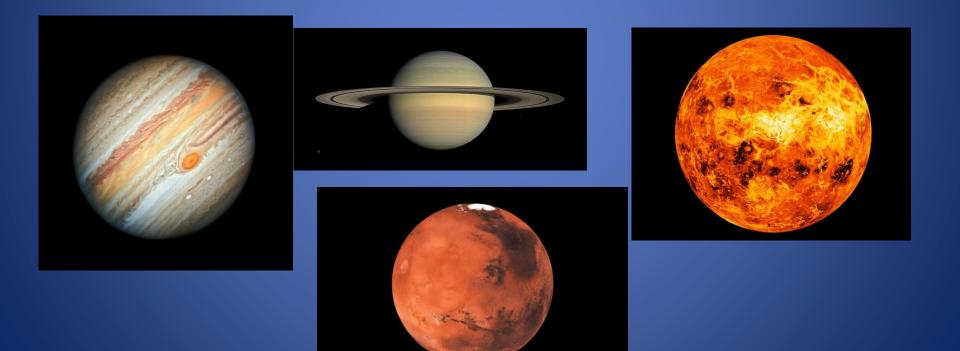
Each Friday we set some home learning tasks. This will be due in the following Thursday. All homework is set on Google Classroom with clear instructions.

Weekly homework will consist of:

- 1 Maths (sometimes this may vary)
- Spellings to be tested the following week
- Reading a minimum of 3 times per week to be recorded in the reading record booklet.

House System

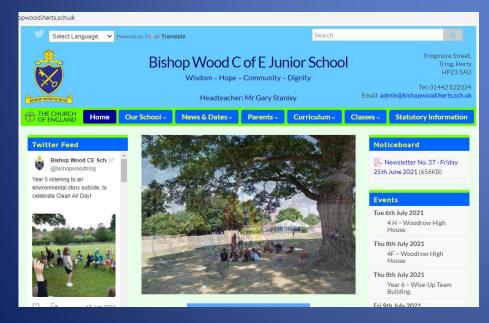
Your child will be allocated a house for their time at Bishop Wood.



Children can earn house points throughout the school day for positive behaviour and attitude towards their learning.

Rewards are organised throughout the year as houses reach a given number of house points.

House sports events run throughout the year where house points can be won through team activities. Each Friday you will receive a weekly newsletter which will celebrate the weekly successes of the school as well as give you a comprehensive update of dates and forthcoming events.





To Prepare for September

Uniform:

- School sweatshirt or cardigan with logo
- Pale blue polo shirt with logo
- Grey trousers, shorts, skirt or pinafore
- Black school shoes, not boots
- White, grey or navy socks/tights
- Wellies for the field when it is wet
- Water proof trousers for when it is really wet

P.E. Kit:

- Blue school P.E T-shirt with logo
- Plain blue or black shorts
- Plain blue or black tracksuit bottoms or leggings
- School fleece with logo or school hoody
- Trainers to be used in P.E and as outdoor playtime shoes

Some other polite reminders

- Long hair needs to be tied back
- The children should not wear jewellery in school. If they have pierced ears they may only wear small stud earrings which MUST be removed or taped over for P.E
- The children will not need a pencil case as all equipment is provided by school
- As the children are now in Junior School, the government nolonger provide a free fruit snack. Children are invited to bring a healthy snack for morning play which they will eat in the playground.
- All children need a named water bottle
- PLEASE remember to NAME EVERYTHING, especially school shoes.

Contacting us

Contact Book

If you have anything you wish to tell us, please write a note in the contact book. Please remind your child to show it to us. For example, if your child has a playdate, the contact book is the perfect way to let us know.

<u>Email</u> The office will pass forward all emails to us. admin@bishopwood.herts.sch.uk

Telephone

You may ring the office to make an appointment to see us after school. Monday is our staff meeting day so we won't be available on this day.

Or just catch us in the playground at the end of the day.

Thank you for listening. We are really looking forward to seeing your children in September!